

# Board of Fire Commissioners

## District #5

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Howell, NJ 07731

10 Jun 2025

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners, District #5, was called to order at the Freewood Acres Fire Company. 17East 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Howell, NJ 07731 by Chairman K Harper in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey. Adequate notice of this meeting was provided to the Asbury Park Press, Howell Times, and the township of Howell. The yearly meeting schedule was published in the Asbury Park Press, Howell Times, and posted at the town hall.

Roll call was taken with the following present: R Donahue, J Harper, K Harper, T Koubek, K Mannik.

Correspondence from Lawyer K Sendzik concerning physicals.

Minutes from the previous meeting were distributed and read. Motion by J Harper to accept as written. Second, by K Mannik. A roll-call vote was taken, with all in favor.

Chief Alicia requested to discard old and outdated equipment. Advised to hold off until the lawyer can give us guidance on the issue. Discussed problems with the company providing physicals. Engineers reported that the two chief vehicles had their maintenance completed. A new charger was installed on 19-5-78 for the thermal imager. Looked at the 2025 Wishlist.

Old business, K Harper brought up, that the new tanker is being worked on.

New business, K Mannik made a motion to pay the monthly bills. Second, by T Koubek. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. The board looked over the three invoices for a new utility vehicle. Motion by K Harper to purchase the 2025 Ford Super Duty. Second, J Harper. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion by J Harper to purchase twelve (12) sets of turnout gear at approximately \$44,300.00. Second, T Koubek. Roll call vote taken with all in favor.

K Harper stated that the computers for the trucks need to be finished and working by next month.

The financial report was given by J Harper.

Opening balance	\$547,193.57
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Deposit	\$267.88
Expenditures	\$51,889.03
Operations	\$136,632.48
Capital	\$358,939.94
Total	\$495,572.42

Motion by K Mannik to accept report as given. Second, t Koubek. Roll call vote taken with all in favor.

With no further business before the board, a motion by T Koubek to adjourn. Second, J Harper. Meeting adjourned at 21:13.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M Donahue

Clerk